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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR OPERATIONAL SUPPORT FUNDS - PARAGUAY

REF: PROJECT NO. 526-11-995-100

1. THE EMBASSY REQUESTS ALLOCATION OF \$12,000.00 IN DEA  
ADMINISTERED OPERATIONAL SUPPORT FUNDS (CCINC) FOR FY 77  
TO PROVIDE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THE GOP'S NARCOTICS REPRESSION  
EFFORTS IN PARAGUAY.

2. WHEN ALLOCATED, THE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE PER DIEM,  
TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND OTHER NECESSARY INVESTIGATIVE COSTS FOR  
PERSONNEL OF THE PARAGUAYAN NATIONAL NARCOTICS DEPARTMENT (DNN)  
TO CONDUCT NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS.

3. THE DNN (FORMERLY NNA) HAS BEEN REORGANIZED UNDER A NEW  
DIRECTOR, INOCENCIO MONTIEL-CABRERA (DECRETO NO. 25587,  
SEPT. 21, 1976) AND IS NOW AN INDEPENDENT BRANCH OF THE  
INTERIOR MINISTRY. IT HAS BEEN SEPARATED BOTH ADMINISTRATIVELY  
AND PHYSICALLY FROM ITS FORMER PARENT ORGANIZATION, THE DIRECCION  
NACIONAL DE ASUNTOS TECNICOS, A MOVE WHICH IS VIEWED BY THE  
EMBASSY AS A POSITIVE STEP.

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4. THE DNN, UNDER ITS NEW LEADERSHIP, APPEARS TO BE MAKING A

SERIOUS EFFORT TO PROVIDE HONEST AND EFFECTIVE NARCOTICS LAW ENFORCEMENT. AS AN EXAMPLE, ON 10/13/76 THE DNN CONDUCTED AN ENFORCEMENT OPERATION IN PEDRO JUAN CABALLERO, PARAGUAY WHICH RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF 2.2 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE, THE SEIZURE OF A COCAINE LABORATORY AND THE ARREST OF ELEVEN DEFENDANTS, ONE OF WHOM WAS A MAJOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKER WITH PRIOR NARCOTICS ARRESTS IN ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL.

5. THE NEW DNN DIRECTOR HAS PREPARED A BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1977 WHICH, IF APPROVED, WOULD PROVIDE GOP FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$56,500.00 FOR SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF THE DNN. THE DNN HAS PLANNED TO ESTABLISH AT LEAST TWO NEW REGIONAL OFFICES WITH ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL DURING 1977. THE REQUESTED OPERATIONAL SUPPORT FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT DNN'S EXPANDED OPERATION.

6. SINCE THE REORGANIZATION OF THE DNN, THE GOP HAS CONTRIBUTED THE EQUIVALENT VALUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$20,000.00 IN VEHICLES ALONE (FOUR VEHICLES) FOR THE USE OF DNN AGENTS. HOWEVER, WITH THE ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL VEHICLES, TRAVEL IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE AND THIS WILL RESULT IN ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR GASOLINE, MAINTENANCE, ETC.

7. IN VIEW OF THE GOP'S LIMITED BUDGETARY RESOURCES, THE GOP WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ASSUME ALL OF THE COSTS OF MAINTAINING, LET ALONE EXPANDING THE PRESENT NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT ROLE OF THE NATIONAL NARCOTICS DEPARTMENT AS WE HAVE URGED THEM REPEATEDLY, WITHOUT ANY FURTHER ASSISTANCE.

8. IT IS THE OPINION OF THIS MISSION'S NARCOTICS COORDINATING COMMITTEE THAT THE ALLOCATION OF THE FUNDS REQUESTED IS ESSENTIAL TO THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE GOP NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT EFFORT.

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